

Aluminum Energy Conservation and Technology Competitiveness Act of 1988; **Pages H2411–12**

*Commending the Girl Scouts of the United States of America on the occasion of their 95th anniversary:* H. Res. 136, to commend the Girl Scouts of the United States of America on the occasion of their 95th anniversary, for providing quality age-appropriate experiences that prepare girls to become the leaders of tomorrow and for raising issues important to girls, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 395 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 137;

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*Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that a day should be established as Dutch-American Friendship Day:* H. Res. 89, to express the sense of the House of Representatives that a day should be established as Dutch-American Friendship Day to celebrate the historic ties of the United States and the Netherlands, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 391 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 138; and

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*Recognizing the significance of Black History Month:* H. Res. 198, to recognize the significance of Black History Month.

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 3:23 p.m. and reconvened at 6:35 p.m.

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**Moment of Silence:** The House observed a moment of silence in honor of Captain William Anderson, former Member of Congress.

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**Committee Resignation:** Read a letter from Representative Blackburn wherein she resigned from the Committee on Homeland Security and the Committee on Financial Services pending her appointment to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

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**Supplemental Report:** Agreed that the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform have until midnight on March 12th to file a supplemental report on H.R. 985, to amend title 5, United States Code, to clarify which disclosures of information are protected from prohibited personnel practices; to require a statement in nondisclosure policies, forms, and agreements to the effect that such policies, forms, and agreements are consistent with certain disclosure protections.

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**Committee Elections:** The House agreed to H. Res. 236, removing Representative Burton from the Committee on Veterans' Affairs and electing the following Members to certain standing committees of the House of Representatives: Committee on Education and Labor: Representative Heller (NV), to rank immediately after Representative Walberg;

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Representative Blackburn.

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**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Three yeas-and-nays votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H2418–19, H2419, H2419–20. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### LABOR, HHS, EDUCATION AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies held a hearing on the Secretary of Education. Testimony was heard from Margaret Spellings, Secretary of Education.

### SELECT INTELLIGENCE OVERSIGHT

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Select Intelligence Oversight met in executive session to hold a hearing on the CIA Budget. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

### GSE REFORM—LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises held a hearing entitled “Legislative Proposals on GSE Reform.” Testimony was heard from John R. Price, President and CEO, Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh, Federal Housing Finance Board; and public witnesses.

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## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 13, 2007

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

### Senate

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2008 for the Environmental Protection Agency, 10 a.m., SD–124.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of James R. Kunder, of Virginia, to be Deputy Administrator, Douglas Menarchik, of Texas, to be an Assistant Administrator, Paul J. Bonicelli, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Administrator, and Katherine Almqvist, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Administrator, all of the United States Agency for International Development, Margrethe Lundsager, of Virginia, to be United States Executive Director of the International Monetary Fund, Eli Whitney Debevoise II, of Maryland, to be United States Executive Director of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, and Curtis S.

Chin, of New York, to be United States Director of the Asian Development Bank, with the rank of Ambassador, 3 p.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* to hold joint hearings with House Committee on Education and Labor to examine improving No Child Left Behind to close the achievement gap, relating to the Elementary and Secondary Education Act reauthorization, 9:30 a.m., 2175 RHOB.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine United States international efforts to secure radiological materials, focusing on Department of Energy and Nuclear Regulatory Commission efforts to secure radiological materials through the International Atomic Energy Agency and the other multilateral organizations, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Benjamin Hale Settle, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Washington, Frederick J. Kapala, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, and Halil Suleyman Ozerden, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Mississippi, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

### House

*Committee on Agriculture,* Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition and Forestry, hearing to review the federal food stamp program and its impact on children's health, 10 a.m., 1302 Longworth.

*Committee on Appropriations,* Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, on Secretary of Agriculture, 2 p.m., 2362A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies, on NASA, 10 a.m., 2362A Rayburn and 2 p.m., 2362B Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies, on U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 10 a.m., 2362B Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Homeland Security, on Secret Service, 10 a.m., H-309 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Interior, Environment and Related Agencies, on Arts Panel, 10:30 a.m., on the Social and Economic Status of Native Americans, 1:30 p.m., and on Bureau of Indian Affairs, Office of the Special Trustee, 2 p.m., B-308 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies, on Department of Education: Elementary and Secondary Education, and Special Education and Rehabilitation Services, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, on Capitol Visitor Center, 1:30 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans' Affairs, and Related Agencies, on Navy Budget, 9:30 and a hearing on Veterans' Claims Process, 1 p.m., H-143 Capitol.

Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs, on Millennium Challenge Account, 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, on Status of Public Housing and HOPE VI, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

*Committee on Armed Services,* to mark up H.R. 1362, Accountability in Contracting Act, 8:30 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing on overview of military resale programs, 10 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Readiness, hearing on the adequacy of the Fiscal Year 2008 National Defense Authorization Budget Request to meet readiness needs, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* Subcommittee on Health, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 477, Stroke Treatment and Ongoing Prevention Act; H.R. 727, Trauma Care Systems Planning and Development Act of 2007; H.R. 545, Native American Methamphetamine Enforcement and Treatment Act of 2007; H.R. 1132, National Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program Reauthorization Act of 2007; and H.R. 493, Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2007, 3 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Post Katrina Health Care: Continuing Concerns and Immediate Needs in the New Orleans Region," 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services,* hearing entitled "Hedge Funds and Systemic Risk in the Financial Markets," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs,* hearing on Tibet: Status of the Sino-Tibetan Dialogue, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, hearing on Haiti's Development Needs, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security,* to mark up H.R. 1401, Rail and Public Transportation Security Act of 2007, 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

*Committee on Natural Resources,* Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, and Oceans, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 50, Multinational Species Conservation Funds Reauthorization Act of 2007; and H.R. 465, Asian Elephant Conservation Reauthorization Act of 2007, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Oversight and Reform,* to consider H.R. 1433, to provide for the treatment of the District of Columbia as a Congressional district for the purposes of representation in the House of Representatives, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Rules,* to consider H.R. 985, Whistleblower Protection Enhancement Act of 2007, 3:30 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Science and Technology,* hearing on Science and Technology Leadership in a 21st Century Global Economy, 1 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure,* Subcommittee on Highways and Transit, hearing on U.S./Mexican Trucking: Safety and the Cross Border Demonstration Project," 1 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs*, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 797, Dr. James Allen Veteran Vision Equity Act; and H.R. 1284, Veterans' Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act of 2007; followed by a hearing on the Impact of OIF/OEF on the VA Claims Process, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Subcommittee on Health, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 612, Returning Servicemember VA Healthcare Insurance Act of 2007; and H.R. 327, Joshua Omvig Veterans Suicide Prevention Act, 1:30 p.m., 334 Cannon.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, Subcommittee on Oversight, hearing on Katrina Redevelopment Tax Issues, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, executive, hearing on Facilities and Infrastructures, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

### Joint Meetings

*Joint Hearing*: Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, to hold joint hearings with House Committee on Education and Labor to examine improving No Child Left Behind to close the achievement gap, relating to the Elementary and Secondary Education Act reauthorization, 9:30 a.m., 2175 RHOB.